Washington, D.C. - Georgia's Second Congressional District Representative Sanford Bishop, Member of the House Committee on Appropriations, today won appointments to join three subcommittees – Defense, Agriculture, and Military Construction/ Veterans Affairs. The Democratic Members of the House Appropriations Committee met this morning to officially fill the subcommittee seats allotted to the majority party in the newly convened 110th Congress.

"I am very pleased. This bodes well for the Second Congressional district and my constituents particularly given the importance of the military facilities there such as Fort Benning and MCLB Albany. The opportunity to join the Agriculture Subcommittee is also exciting given the role the agriculture industry plays in middle and southwest Georgia, particularly regarding peanuts and cotton. Additionally, considering the role of the defense and agricultural industries throughout Georgia, I am especially pleased to have the ability to better serve the citizens of the state."

Congressman Bishop also has been selected to serve as a Senior Whip in the Majority Whip operation for the 110th Congress. Senior Whips are a group of senior Members and Caucus opinion leaders who play key roles in planning how an issue impacts certain Members or groups and helping develop strategies to ensure legislative success.